



New Jersey Department of Children and Families Policy Manual

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Subchapter:	9	Transportation Requirements	
Section	3	Vehicle requirements (N.J.A.C. 10:122-9.3)	

§10:122-9.3 Vehicle requirements

(a) The center shall ensure that each vehicle used to provide transportation of enrolled children to and from the center, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:122-9.1(a), except private passenger vehicles, is equipped with the following:

1. Three triangular portable red reflector warning devices;
2. A fully charged fire extinguisher, with a gauge and with a minimum underwriters' rating of 2A 10BC, which shall be located at the front and securely mounted to the right of the driver in a way that does not constitute an obstruction or hazard to the passengers;
3. A seat belt cutter;
4. A removable first-aid kit located in an accessible place within the vehicle; and
5. Forward-facing seats, excluding folding seats and jump seats. Each seat exit shall be clear of obstructions.

(b) The center shall ensure that each Type I School Bus has school vehicle Type I, "S1" designated license plates and a valid School Bus inspection sticker issued by the Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC).

(c) The center shall ensure that each Type II School Bus has school vehicle Type II, "S2" designated license plates and a valid School Bus inspection sticker issued by the MVC.

(d) The center shall ensure that each Type S School Vehicle:

1. Has school vehicle Type II, "S2" designated license plates and a valid School Bus inspection sticker issued by the MVC;
2. Is equipped with a spare tire and a jack; and
3. Meets the requirements specified by the MVC.

(e) The center shall use a Type I School Bus, Type II School Bus or Type S School Vehicle at all times when transporting children, except as specified in (f) and (g) below.

(f) Any center may authorize staff members and/or parents of enrolled children to utilize their own private passenger vehicles to transport children from the center to and from scheduled center field trips, outings or special events (such as visits to the zoo, library, or museum) or to transport children from the center to a hospital, clinic or office for medical treatment, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:39-20.1. However, staff members and/or parents may be authorized to do so only if:

1. The vehicle has a capacity of nine or fewer persons;
2. The driver possesses a valid Basic automobile driver's license issued